

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT)
OF A MEMBER TO THE CAPITAL)
DEFENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE)
_____)

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
No. 2020-113

Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2019-165, the members of the Capital Defense Review Committee ("Committee") act under the authority of the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court in Maricopa County and are tasked with implementing the Plan for Review of Appointed Defense Counsel (the "Plan").

The Plan provides that the Committee shall be composed of the director of the Office of Public Defense Services ("OPDS"); the heads of the three adult indigent criminal defense offices, or their designees; the Presiding Criminal Judge, or a Maricopa County Superior Court Judge designated by the Presiding Criminal Judge; and at least four members of the criminal defense bar, appointed by the Presiding Criminal Judge, who do not hold a current OPDS contract or pending contract application and who are not currently employed by a Maricopa County indigent defense agency. The Plan provides that the appointments of the members are for designated terms.

The current members of the Capital Defense Review Committee were appointed in Administrative Order No. 2020-018. It has come to the Court's attention that one of the criminal defense bar members of the Committee, Joe Stazzone, is no longer eligible for membership on the Committee as he has accepted an appointment to represent a defendant in a capital post-conviction relief proceeding. The Committee has recommended James Belanger to assume Mr. Stazzone's term on the Committee.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED appointing James Belanger as a member of the Capital Defense Review Committee with a term to expire at the year-end of 2021.

Dated this 29th day of July, 2020

/s/ Patricia Starr
Hon. Patricia Starr
Criminal Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Superior Court

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